## DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor, if only one name is listed below, or an original, first and joint inventor, if plural names are listed below, of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled A METHOD, PROCESS, AND SYSTEM FOR SEARCHING FOR AND IDENTIFYING SOURCES OF GOODS AND/OR SERVICES OVER THE INTERNET, the specification of which is attached hereto.

I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

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## CLAIM OF PRIORITY

I hereby claim foreign benefits under Title 35, United States Code (U.S.C.), Section 119(a)-(d) or § 365(b), of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate, or § 365(a) of any PCT international application which designated at least one country other than the United States of America, listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate, or of any PCT international application, having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.

None

I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. § 120, of any United States application(s), or § 365(c) of any PCT international application designating the United States of America, listed below and, insofar as the above-identified specification, including claims, discloses and claims subject matter in addition to that disclosed in the prior copending application(s), listed below, I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the Office, all information which is known by me to be material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application.

None

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## VERIFIED STATEMENT (DECLARATION) CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY STATUS (37 CFR §1.9[f] and 1.27[b]) - INDEPENDENT INVENTOR

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that I qualify as an independent inventor as defined under 37 CFR §1.9(c) for purposes of paying reduced fees under Sections 41(a) and (b) of Title 35, United State Code, to the Patent and Trademark Office with regard to the invention entitled A METHOD, PROCESS, AND SYSTEM FOR SEARCHING FOR AND IDENTIFYING SOURCES OF GOODS AND/OR SERVICES OVER THE INTERNET described in: the specification filed herewith \_X\_\_ application serial No. \_\_\_\_\_\_, filed \_\_\_\_\_. patent No. , issued I have not assigned, granted, conveyed, or licensed and am under no obligation under contract or law to assign, grant, convey, or license, any rights in the invention to any person who could not be classified as an independent inventor under 37 CFR §1.9(c) if that person had made the invention, or to any concern which would not qualify as a small business concern under 37 CFR §1.9(d) or a non-profit organization under 37 CFR §1.9(e). Each person, concern, or organization to which I have assigned, granted, conveyed, or licensed or am under an obligation under contract or law to assign, grant, convey, or license any rights in the invention is listed below: X no such person, concern, or organization persons, concerns, or organizations listed below\* C \*NOTE: Separate verified statements are required from each named person, concern or organization having rights to ñ. the invention averring to their status as small entities (37 CFR §1.27). ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ (X) INDIVIDUAL ( ) SMALL BUSINESS CONCERN () NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION I acknowledge the duty to file, in this application or patent, notification of any change in status resulting in loss of entitlement to small entity status prior to paying, or at the time of paying, the earliest of the issue fee or any maintenance fee due after the date on which status as a small entity is no longer appropriate. (37 CFR §1.28[b]). I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application, any patent issuing thereon, or any patent to which this verified statement is directed. Meiresonne MEIRESONNE

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